

I am in support of a national "no-call list". I find it an undue burden to continuously request to be placed on companies' no-call lists. I want to place the burden on the company for checking whether or not it's ok to call me. These companies take a ridiculously long period of time (6 to 8 weeks in some cases) to ensure that my name & number get in "their system". I would like a national no-call list to quickly update the requests (2 weeks would be preferable) and to be effective for no less than a year's time (I don't want to have to keep calling to update my status...the burden should be on the company, not the consumer). In addition, I would like to see strict penalties for companies who try to get around the rules.

For instance, I received a pre-recorded message from JPM Hottest Promotional Gift Line that informed me I could receive a "free gift" if I called their number (410-976-2999). I barely caught the part that said this was a \$5.95 toll call. How am I supposed to tell this company to stop calling me without paying six dollars?! The address contained in their pre-recorded message was conveniently incomplete (street address and city - no state or zip code)...so I can't even send a written request. But I shouldn't even have to go to such lengths to simply request that a company stop bothering me at home.